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Claim 1 (original). An inner lid attaching structure for a personal watercraft having an inner lid removably attachable in covering relation to an opening provided in a deck of the personal watercraft and a cover removably attachable in covering relation to the inner lid, the attaching structure comprising:

a locking member which presses an edge of said inner lid placed on an edge of said opening against the edge of the opening when the locking member is in a locked position to assure air-tightness between said inner lid and the edge of the opening;

a projection provided integrally with said locking member which allows attachment of said cover when the locking member is at the locked position, but blocks attachment of said cover by being sandwiched between the deck and the cover when the locking member is at an unlocked position; and

a biasing member which biases said locking member toward the unlocked position, and is provided between said locking member and the deck.

Claim 2 (original). An inner lid attaching structure according to claim 1, wherein said attaching structure is fixed to the deck of the personal water craft.